
VDC Trading Limited
Abbreviated Accounts
for the year ended 31st July 2001



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BLUEPRINT AUDIT LIMITED
CHORLEY

VDC Trading Limited

Company Information

Chairman	N Holden
Directors	N Holden D Guthrie
Secretary	N Holden
Company number	2708733
Registered office	VDC House 4 Brandon Road London N7 9AA
Auditors	Blueprint Audit Limited Sumner House St Thomas's Road Chorley Lancashire PR7 1HP

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Directors' Report

for the year ended 31st July 2001

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the company for the year ended 31st July 2001.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss for that year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Principal activity

The company's principal activity during the year was the supply of electrical components.

Results

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 4.

The directors plan to continue with the management policies which have led to the satisfactory result achieved in the year.

Dividends

The company has paid an interim dividend of £nil (2000: £125,000), the directors do not recommend a final dividend.

Directors and their interests

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the share capital of the company were as follows:

Name of director	Share type	At 31st July 2001	At 1st August 2000
N Holden	Ordinary £1 shares	100	100
D Guthrie	Ordinary £1 shares	-	-

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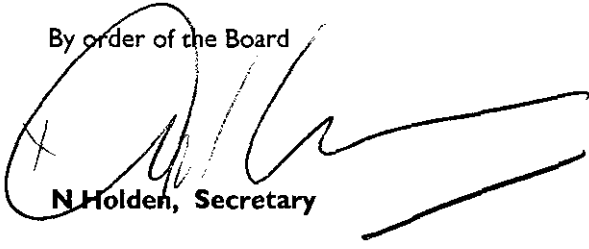
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Auditors

The auditors, Lathams, have transferred their audit business to Blueprint Audit Limited. In accordance with Section 26 of the Companies Act 1989, Blueprint Audit Limited has been appointed as auditor to succeed Lathams, and will be proposed for reappointment at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

By order of the Board



N. Holden, Secretary

Date: 11th February 2002

Auditors' report to VDC Trading Limited
Under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 4 to 13 together with the financial statements of VDC Trading Limited for the year ended 31st July 2001 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with that provision and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 4 to 13 are properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

Blueprint Audit Limited

Blueprint Audit Limited
Registered Auditor
Sumner House
St Thomas's Road
Chorley
Lancashire
PR7 1HP
Date: 11th February 2002

VDC Trading Limited
Abbreviated Profit and Loss Account
for the year ended 31st July 2001

	Notes	2001 £	2000 £ <i>As restated</i>
Gross profit		1,860,405	1,901,866
Distribution costs		(76,335)	(60,689)
Administrative expenses		(1,348,089)	(973,045)
Operating profit	2	435,981	868,132
Interest receivable	5	13,448	11,145
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(18,777)	(17,461)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		430,652	861,816
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(117,362)	(264,938)
Profit for the financial year after taxation		313,290	596,878
Dividends	8	-	(125,000)
Retained profit for the year transferred to reserves	21	313,290	471,878

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

There have been no recognised gains or losses, other than the results for the financial year, and all profits or losses have been accounted for on an historical cost basis.

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Abbreviated Balance Sheet
as at 31st July 2001

	Notes	2001 £	2001 £	2000 £	2000 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		674,750		728,836
Investments	10		4		4
			<u>674,754</u>		<u>728,840</u>
Current assets					
Stocks	12	854,875		857,435	
Debtors	13	1,087,967		873,176	
Cash at bank and in hand		820,876		695,998	
		<u>2,763,718</u>		<u>2,426,609</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(1,386,812)		(1,347,901)	
Net current assets			<u>1,376,906</u>		<u>1,078,708</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>2,051,660</u>		<u>1,807,548</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(134,896)		(149,370)
Provisions for liabilities and charges					
Deferred taxation	19		(53,296)		(108,000)
			<u>1,863,468</u>		<u>1,550,178</u>
Capital and reserves					
Share capital	20		100		100
Share premium account	21		6,172		6,172
Capital redemption reserve	21		10		10
Profit and loss account	21		<u>1,857,186</u>		<u>1,543,896</u>
Equity Shareholders' funds			<u>1,863,468</u>		<u>1,550,178</u>

The abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

These financial statements were approved by the board on 11th February 2002 and signed on its behalf by:


N Holden
Director

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for the year ended 31st July 2001

I Accounting policies

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced amount of goods sold less returns and allowances, excluding value added tax.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost, less estimated residual value, of all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, over their expected useful lives. The principal annual rates and methods used are:

Freehold land and properties	2% straight line
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	25% reducing balance

Leasing and hire purchase

Certain tangible fixed assets are held under finance leases and hire purchase agreements. These assets are included in the balance sheet and are depreciated accordingly. The capital element of the corresponding financing commitments is included in the balance sheet. The finance element of repayments is charged to the profit and loss account in proportion to the reducing capital element outstanding.

Fixed asset investments

Investments are included at cost.

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is calculated under the liability method at the appropriate rate of tax in respect of timing differences between profits as computed for tax purposes and profits as stated in the financial statements to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, those differences will give rise to tax liabilities in the foreseeable future.

Pension Costs

Pension costs are recognised on a systematic basis over the period that the company benefits from the services of the employees who are members of the pension scheme.

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2 Operating profit

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	2001	2000
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
-owned assets	41,136	55,200
-assets held under hire purchase contracts and finance leases	-	2,850
Auditors' remuneration	6,420	9,450
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	5,521	4,115
	<u>5,521</u>	<u>4,115</u>

3 Directors and employees

Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:

	2001	2000
	£	£
Wages and salaries	1,350,439	966,161
Social security costs	131,679	89,317
Other pension costs	1,269	2,983
	<u>1,483,387</u>	<u>1,058,461</u>

The average monthly number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows:

	2001	2000
	Number	Number
Administration	7	7
Management	2	2
Production	22	21
Selling and distribution	7	6
	<u>38</u>	<u>36</u>

Directors' emoluments

	2001	2000
	£	£
Aggregate emoluments	590,244	355,900

Highest paid director

	2001	2000
	£	£
Aggregate emoluments	493,246	327,920

4 Pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for the benefit of the employees. The assets of the scheme are administered by trustees in a fund independent from those of the company.

The total contributions paid in the year amounted to £1,269 (2000: £2,983).

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5	Interest receivable	2001	2000
		£	£
	Bank interest receivable	13,448	11,145
6	Interest payable and similar charges	2001	2000
		£	£
	Interest payable on bank loan and overdraft	18,084	16,768
	Hire purchase interest	693	693
		18,777	17,461
7	Taxation	2001	2000
		£	£
	Based on the profit for the year:		
	U.K. Corporation tax at 30% (2000: 30%)	172,100	197,352
	Deferred tax charge	(54,704)	68,000
		117,396	265,352
	Prior periods		
	UK corporation tax	(34)	(414)
		117,362	264,938
	The tax charge for the year has been increased by approximately £9,500 (2000: £6,200) in respect of permanent timing differences, increased by £nil (2000: £20,000) in respect of deferred tax not provided in prior years and decreased by £21,500 (2000: £19,500) in respect of marginal relief.		
8	Dividends	2001	2000
		£	£
	Equity dividends		
	Ordinary dividends - paid at £nil per share (2000: £1,250)	-	125,000

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9 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and properties	Motor vehicles	Fixtures and fittings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1st August 2000	617,312	106,244	165,601	889,157
Additions	6,000	-	33,570	39,570
Disposals	-	(78,181)	-	(78,181)
At 31st July 2001	623,312	28,063	199,171	850,546
Depreciation				
At 1st August 2000	41,214	36,706	82,401	160,321
Charge for the year	10,466	6,221	24,449	41,136
Disposals	-	(25,661)	-	(25,661)
At 31st July 2001	51,680	17,266	106,850	175,796
Net book value				
At 31st July 2001	571,632	10,797	92,321	674,750
<i>At 31st July 2000</i>	<i>576,098</i>	<i>69,538</i>	<i>83,200</i>	<i>728,836</i>

Assets held under hire purchase have a net book value of £nil (2000: £8,548). Depreciation charged for the year was £nil (2000: £2,850).

10 Fixed asset investments

Cost and Net book value

At 1st August 2000 and at 31st July 2001

Shares in group undertakings
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11 Shares in group undertakings

The company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following:

Name of company	Details of investments	Proportion held by company	Nature of business
Van Damme Cable Art Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant
VDC EBT Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Dormant

The capital and reserves and profit or loss for the subsidiary undertakings at 31st October 2000 and 31st July 2001 respectively were as follows :

	Profit/(loss) for the year		Capital and reserves	
	2001	2000	2001	2000
	£	£	£	£
Van Damme Cable Art Limited	-	-	2	2
VDC EBT Limited	-	-	2	2

12 Stocks

	2001	2000
	£	£
Raw materials	854,875	857,435

13 Debtors

	2001	2000
	£	£
Trade debtors	938,090	821,636
Prepayments	149,877	51,540
	<u>1,087,967</u>	<u>873,176</u>

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14 Employee Benefit trust

Cash at bank and in hand includes £159,050 (2000: £360,050) which is held in trust for the beneficiaries of the Employee Benefit Trust.

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2001	2000
	£	£
Bank loan and overdraft	57,040	45,039
Trade creditors	761,367	764,837
Other creditors	4,954	2
Accruals	39,300	52,342
Corporation tax	172,100	197,352
Other taxes and social security	350,631	279,938
Obligations under hire purchase contracts	-	4,033
Directors' current accounts	1,420	4,358
	<u>1,386,812</u>	<u>1,347,901</u>

The bank loan and overdraft are secured by a fixed and floating charge over all of the company's current and future assets and by a first legal mortgage over 4 Brandon Road London, London N7.

16 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2001	2000
	£	£
Bank loan	<u>134,896</u>	<u>149,370</u>
		<i>As restated</i>

17 Obligations under hire purchase contracts

	2001	2000
	£	£
		<i>As restated</i>
Obligations under hire purchase contracts are analysed between amounts payable:		
In the next year	<u>-</u>	<u>4,033</u>

Obligations under hire purchase contracts are secured on the assets concerned.

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18	Loans and borrowings	2001	2000
		£	£
	Analysis of loan and overdraft		
	Bank loans and overdraft	191,936	194,409
	Obligations under hire purchase	-	4,033
		<u>191,936</u>	<u>198,442</u>
	Maturity of debt		
	In one year or less, or on demand	57,040	45,039
	In more than one year, but not more than two years	38,019	38,019
	In more than two years, but not more than five years	96,877	111,351
		<u>191,936</u>	<u>194,409</u>

19 Deferred taxation

The movements in deferred taxation during the current and previous years are as follows:

	2001	2000
	£	£
At 1st August 2000	108,000	40,000
Movement in the year	(54,704)	68,000
At 31st July 2001	<u>53,296</u>	<u>108,000</u>

Deferred taxation provided and unprovided for in the financial statements is set out below. The amount unprovided represents a contingent liability at the balance sheet date and is calculated using a tax rate of 30% (2000: 30%).

	Amount provided	
	2001	2000
	£	£
Accelerated capital allowances	5,581	-
Short term timing differences	47,715	108,000
	<u>53,296</u>	<u>108,000</u>

20	Share capital	2001	2000
		£	£
	Authorised		
	Equity shares		
	1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	Allotted		
	Equity shares		
	100 Allotted, called up and fully paid ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

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21 Share Premium Account and Reserves

	Share premium account £	Capital redemption reserve £	Profit and loss account £
At 1st August 2000	6,172	10	1,543,896
Profit for the year	-	-	313,290
At 31st July 2001	6,172	10	1,857,186

22 Comparatives

To aid comparison £167,064, of wages and salary costs has been reclassified from cost of sales in 2000 in to administrative expenses.